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CONTINUING HOUSING PREFERENCES UNDER TITLE 5  
OF THE LATHAM ACT TO KOREAN WAR VETERANS

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MAY 1 (legislative day, APRIL 6), 1953.—Ordered to be printed

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Mr. GOLDWATER, from the Committee on Banking and Currency,  
submitted the following

## REPORT

[To accompany S. 1376]

The Committee on Banking and Currency, to whom was referred the bill (S. 1376) to amend section 503 of the act entitled, "An act to expedite the provision of housing in connection with national defense, and for other purposes," approved October 14, 1940, as amended, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

This bill would enact a technical amendment to the Lanham Act (42 U. S. C. 1521 et seq.) which would clarify the authority of the Housing and Home Finance Agency to give, after July 1, 1953, to any Korean war veteran whose service commences after that time the same preference for admission to housing provided under title V of that act as is given to veterans of World War II and to Korean war veterans whose services commenced before that time. The necessity for this clarifying legislation arises from the fact that certain powers will expire on July 1 of this year under the Emergency Powers Continuation Act (Public Law 45, 82d Cong.), as amended by Public Law 12, 83d Congress.

The bill would not involve any expenditures, administrative or otherwise, and would prevent discrimination against some Korean veterans which might otherwise result from a legal technicality.

The Lanham Act governs the administration and disposition of World War II war and veterans' housing. Title V is the veterans' housing title of that act. Section 503 defines veterans and servicemen as those serving "during the present war," which has been construed to mean those who have served on or after September 16, 1940, and prior to the Japanese Peace Treaty. Subsection 1 (a) (21) of the Emergency Powers Continuation Act, as amended by Public Law 12, 83d Congress, made it clear that, notwithstanding the Japanese Peace



## 2 CONTINUE HOUSING PREFERENCES UNDER TITLE 5 OF LANHAM ACT

Treaty, the preference in admission to housing which was made available to veterans by title V of the Lanham Act could be extended to persons who served in the Armed Forces after the Japanese Peace Treaty and before July 1, 1953. Thus the Congress has assured veterans' preference under title V of the Lanham Act for persons serving in the Armed Forces during the Korean conflict and before July 1, 1953.

The approaching July 1 time limitation is inconsistent, however, with the laws governing other housing preferences which make adequate provision for all Korean veterans. Public Law 214, 82d Congress, approved October 26, 1951, amended all other housing preferences administered by the Housing and Home Finance Agency so as to make provision for all Korean veterans. The only reason why a consistent amendment to section 503 was not then enacted is that the Japanese Peace Treaty had not yet been made effective, thereby making such amendment unnecessary at that time.

About 250,000 family dwelling units in war and veterans' housing are now under active management of the Housing Agency, pending their disposal. The bill would affect the eligibility of future Korean veterans to be admitted to these units as vacancies occur, provided, of course, that the particular project remains in active management.

This bill authorizes the President to determine a future cutoff date for Korean war service. This is consistent with veterans' preference provisions which the act of October 26, 1951, provided for other titles of the Lanham Act and for the several acts administered by the Housing Agency which contain veterans' preference provisions.

### CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW

In compliance with subsection (4) of rule XXIX of the Standing Rules of the Senate, changes in existing law made by the bill, as reported, are shown as follows (existing law proposed to be omitted is enclosed in brackets, new matter is printed in italics, existing law in which no change is proposed is shown in roman):

AN ACT TO EXPEDITE THE PROVISION OF HOUSING IN CONNECTION WITH NATIONAL DEFENSE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, APPROVED OCTOBER 14, 1940, AS AMENDED

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SEC. 503. As used in this title V the term "families of servicemen" shall include the family of any person who is serving in the military or naval forces of the United States, and the term "veterans" shall include any person who has served in the military or naval forces of the United States during the present war and prior to such date thereafter as shall be determined by the President, and who have been discharged or released therefrom under conditions other than dishonorable.





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the things the farmer has to buy to maintain his farm operations, so that the family-size farm will survive and remain prosperous; be it further

*Resolved*, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the President of these United States; Hon. ALEXANDER WILEY, Hon. JOSEPH R. MCCARTHY, Senators; and Hon. MERLIN HULL, Congressman.

A. V. BODEEN.  
EDGAR L. PERRY.  
FRED ORGAN.

#### DECLINE IN FARM PRICES—RESOLUTION OF TWIN LAKES (MINN.) LOCAL FARMERS UNION

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, I present for appropriate reference, and ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD, a resolution adopted by the Twin Lakes Local, Minnesota Farmers Union, Twin Lakes, Minn., on March 23, 1953, relating to the decline in farm prices.

There being no objection, the resolution was referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, and ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

Hon. HUBERT HUMPHREY,  
*United States Senate.*

MY DEAR SENATOR: We take this opportunity to commend you on your efforts to provide an adequate Federal support program on farm products.

We believe that it is necessary and just to legislate a balanced farm-support program, not only to protect the income of agriculture but the economy of the entire Nation as well.

The Twin Lakes Local, Minnesota Farmers Union (consisting of 69 farm families), unanimously adopted the following resolution:

"Whereas agriculture constitutes the foundation of the Nation's economy; and

"Whereas the falling farm prices are being directly reflected on the other segments of our economy; Therefore be it

"*Resolved*, That the Twin Lakes Local, Minnesota Farmers Union, goes on record requesting Federal legislation supporting all farm products perishable and nonperishable at 90 to 110 percent of the old parity formula, through a program of compensatory payments and Federal purchase of surplus products; further be it

"*Resolved*, That any surplus in excess of adequate reserve, be disposed through assistance to aged, welfare work, school-lunch program, and to any nations who suffer from famine and catastrophe."

The above resolution was adopted March 23, 1953.

GARWOOD LARSON,  
*President.*  
M. S. PERKINS,  
*Secretary.*  
ANDREW O. LARSON,  
*Legislative Director.*

#### FARM PARITY, ETC.—RESOLUTIONS OF CENTRAL COOPERATIVE WHOLESALE, SUPERIOR, WIS.

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, I present for appropriate reference, and ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD, resolutions adopted by the Central Cooperative Wholesale, Superior, Wis., at their annual meeting held on April 14 and 15, relating to farm parity, and so forth.

There being no objection, the resolutions were referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, and ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

#### TIDELANDS OIL

Whereas we are much concerned as a group in the extremely rapid rate of dissipation of the irreplaceable natural resources of the Nation, and all too often only a few benefit whereby the whole country should; and

Whereas one of the few remaining great natural resources is the tidelands oil off the United States coastline; we fear that the granting of the national rights to the coastline States would set an example which might result in a very shortsighted policy in the disposition of the remaining Federal natural resources, such as timber, rangelands, water and minerals; Therefore be it

*Resolved*, That this meeting favors control of the so-called tidelands oil by the Federal Government for the benefit of the whole population of this great country.

#### ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY

Whereas the United States is on notice that the Canadian Government is already committed to construction of the St. Lawrence seaway alone if this country does not choose to participate in making it a joint undertaking; and

Whereas the overwhelming facts and arguments in favor of the seaway in the interest of opening up the great central and western areas of the United States and Canada to more advanced agricultural and industrial development, obtaining at the same time great additional resources of badly needed electrical energy especially for the populous eastern sections of the country, strengthening our defenses against any threat of war, and that the project will be self-liquidating, are already established over years of exhaustive surveys and hearings; Therefore be it

*Resolved*, That we hereby declare ourselves as being most emphatically in favor of an immediate agreement with Canada for the joint construction, utilization and control of the St. Lawrence seaway and power project; and be it further

*Resolved*, That we favor development of the seaway all the way to Lake Superior, because the currently advocated idea of development of the canals only up to Lake Erie would still leave the North Central States without the benefit of the seaway.

#### FARM PARITY

Whereas American agriculture, and particularly the small dairy farmers of our area are today caught in the pincers of rising costs and falling prices; and

Whereas the protection of our vital agricultural industry through the parity principle is an accepted and workable formula; and

Whereas we note with alarm that the present administration is acting against its own campaign promises, by administering the farm parity program with obvious antagonism and thus causing fears throughout the agricultural industry; that an effort may be made to kill the parity program at the expiration of the present act in 1954; Be it therefore

*Resolved*, That this 36th annual meeting of the Central Cooperative Wholesale, acting in behalf of its tens of thousands of farmer members demand vigorous administration of the present 90 percent parity law and for enactment of 100 percent farm parity in 1954; Be it further

*Resolved*, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Secretary of Agriculture, Ezra Benson.

#### ON THE THREATS TO REA

The rural-electrification program has in its relatively short existence brought a marvelous change throughout rural America. It has been a change to improved living for millions of farm families, and to assure pro-

duction of food and fiber in the increasing volume that our Nation needs in peace and war.

The delegates of this 36th annual meeting of the Central Cooperative Wholesale are therefore most seriously concerned at recent moves, in and out of Congress and those identified as counselors to the national administration, to minimize the need for and usefulness of the REA, to curtail its development, and to eliminate it as a safeguard against unbridled power monopoly. The delegates therefore urge every member of the Senate and House of Representatives, most particularly those representing States and districts within the area of the Central Cooperative Wholesale, to be now highly alert against such moves and, instead, promote measures whereby REA projects may be developed with assurance of access to power sources and with no discrimination because of their nonprofit cooperative nature. Be it further

*Resolved*, That copies of these resolutions be sent to Senators, Congressmen, and three State associations of cooperatives of Minnesota, Michigan, and Wisconsin.

#### TITLE TO CERTAIN SUBMERGED LANDS—LETTER FROM ANOKA-HENNEPIN (MINN.) PUBLIC SCHOOLS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

Mr. HUMPHREY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that a letter which I have received from Ruth E. Nordlie, corresponding secretary of the Anoka-Hennepin Public Schools Education Association, relating to the so-called Hill amendment to Senate Joint Resolution 13, be printed in the RECORD, and appropriately referred.

There being no objection, the letter was ordered to lie on the table, and to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

ANOKA-HENNEPIN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
EDUCATION ASSOCIATION,  
Anoka, Minn., April 27, 1953.  
Senator HUBERT HUMPHREY,  
Capitol Building,  
Washington, D. C.

DEAR SENATOR HUMPHREY: The Anoka-Hennepin Public Schools Education Association recommends that the Hill amendment to the tidelands' oil bill giving this money to education be approved.

Sincerely yours,

RUTH E. NORDLIE,  
Corresponding Secretary.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. BRIDGES, from the Committee on Appropriations:

H. R. 4664. A bill making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953, and for other purposes; with amendments (Rept. No. 214).

By Mr. GOLDWATER, from the Committee on Banking and Currency:

S. 1376. A bill to amend section 503 of the act entitled "An act to expedite the provision of housing in connection with national defense, and for other purposes," approved October 14, 1940, as amended; without amendment (Rept. No. 213).

#### REPORT ON DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE PAPERS

Mr. CARLSON, from the Joint Select Committee on the Disposition of Execu-



tive Papers, to which was referred for examination and recommendation a list of records transmitted to the Senate by the Archivist of the United States that appeared to have no permanent value or historical interest, submitted a report thereon pursuant to law.

### BILLS INTRODUCED

Bills were introduced, read the first time, and, by unanimous consent, the second time, and referred as follows:

By Mr. LEHMAN:

S. 1807. A bill for the relief of William Jeffrey Jonas; and

S. 1808. A bill for the relief of Hildegard Monti; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GREEN:

S. 1809. A bill for the relief of Evaristo Da Silva Gaspar and Victor Manuel Caetano; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SALTONSTALL:

S. 1810. A bill to amend the Canal Zone Code in reference to the survival of things in action; to the Committee on Armed Services.

(See the remarks of Mr. SALTONSTALL when he introduced the above bill, which appear under a separate heading.)

By Mr. SALTONSTALL (by request):

S. 1811. A bill for the relief of the widow and children of the late John L. LeCours; to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service.

By Mr. LANGER:

S. 1812. A bill to amend the Organic Act of Puerto Rico so as to prevent discrimination under Puerto Rican income-tax laws against citizens of the various States of the United States who are nonresidents of Puerto Rico; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

S. 1813. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, so as to extend the privilege of trial by jury to certain cases arising within the special maritime and territorial jurisdiction of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MONRONEY (for himself and KERR):

S. 1814. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to construct certain works of improvement for runoff and waterflow retardation, and soil-erosion prevention, on the Beaver Creek watershed in Oklahoma; and

S. 1815. A bill to provide for a preliminary examination and survey of the Beaver Creek watershed, in Oklahoma, for purposes of runoff and waterflow retardation and soil-erosion prevention; to the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry.

### AMENDMENT OF CANAL ZONE CODE, RELATING TO SURVIVAL OF THINGS IN ACTION

Mr. SALTONSTALL. Mr. President, at the request of the Central Labor Union and the Metal Trades Council of the Panama Canal Zone, I introduce for appropriate reference a bill to amend the Canal Zone Code in reference to the survival of things in action.

Several years ago an automobile accident in the Panama Canal Zone which resulted in the death of the careless driver who was the cause of the accident brought out the fact that Canal Zone law did not permit the individuals who were injured in the accident to bring suit against the estate of the wrongdoer.

The bill would remedy this situation. It prevents a cause of action for a tort

from being defeated by the death of the person responsible for the tort. The bill also gives the estate of a person who had a right to collect damages on account of a tort to bring suit instead of the deceased.

I am informed that the adoption of these amendments to the Canal Zone Code would simply bring the code into line with the laws of most of our States.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The bill will be received and appropriately referred.

The bill (S. 1810) to amend the Canal Zone Code in reference to the survival of things in action, introduced by Mr. SALTONSTALL, was received, read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

### TITLE TO CERTAIN SUBMERGED LANDS—AMENDMENTS

Mr. MORSE submitted two amendments intended to be proposed by him to the joint resolution (S. J. Res. 13) to confirm and establish the titles of the States to lands beneath navigable waters within State boundaries and to the natural resources within such lands and waters, and to provide for the use and control of said lands and resources, which were ordered to lie on the table and to be printed.

Mr. LEHMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the amendment in the nature of a substitute intended to be proposed by him to Senate Joint Resolution 13, supra, which was ordered to lie on the table and to be printed.

Mr. GREEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to Senate Joint Resolution 13, supra, which was ordered to lie on the table and to be printed.

### AMENDMENT OF LEGISLATIVE REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1946—AMENDMENTS

Mr. McCLELLAN submitted amendments intended to be proposed by him to the bill (S. 833) to amend the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 to provide for more effective evaluation of the fiscal requirements of the executive agencies of the Government of the United States, which were referred to the Committee on Government Operations, and ordered to be printed.

### HOUSE BILL AND JOINT RESOLUTION REFERRED OR PLACED ON CALENDAR

The following bill and joint resolution were each read twice by their titles and referred or placed on the calendar as indicated:

H. R. 4654. An act to provide for the exemption from the Annual and Sick Leave Act of 1951 of certain officers in the executive branch of the Government, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service.

H. J. Res. 241. Joint resolution to appoint a committee to attend the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the first airplane flight at Kill Devil Hills, Kitty Hawk, N. C.; placed on the calendar.

### PRINTING OF COMPILATION OF INTERNAL SECURITY LAWS (S. DOC. NO. 47)

Mr. WILEY. Mr. President, President Eisenhower has just issued a historic Executive order setting up a new loyalty-review program for our Government.

Anticipating that important act, I had several months ago requested the Library of Congress to prepare a comprehensive compilation of laws and Executive orders dealing with the history of internal security in the United States.

This compilation has now been completed. It brings up to date a similar study which had been previously prepared by the Legislative Reference Service of the Library of Congress.

As an individual Senator and as chairman of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, I have always believed that America's effectiveness in her foreign policy would depend at least in part upon her own security right here at home. This in turn depends upon the effectiveness of our laws designed to protect and preserve this constitutional Republic from enemies from within.

Let me note that fortunately for our country down through the years, the agency which is the foremost sentinel of America's freedom, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, under its great Director, the Honorable John Edgar Hoover, has valiantly and tirelessly fulfilled its investigative responsibilities under our internal security laws.

But often those laws have been sadly lacking in enabling the Bureau to fulfill its great mission. Fortunately, too, the Internal Security Act of 1950 helped to close many gaps in the law and to add much-needed teeth to it.

Today, we of the United States who have emerged as the leading Nation of the earth in the effort to preserve freedom for mankind, can ill afford to ignore or underestimate the cancerous danger of Communist subversion.

Acting on that premise, I had arranged in January for the formation of a Security Affairs Subcommittee of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. This subcommittee is to deal exclusively with problems of worldwide Communist sabotage, espionage, and sedition.

On Sunday, the subcommittee will release a 28-page committee print entitled "Adequacy of United States Laws With Respect to Offenses Against National Security." This print setting forth loopholes in current laws, has been prepared by Mary Lowe Ramsey of the American Law Division of the Library of Congress at my direction, and with the cooperation of the counsel of the Foreign Relations Committee, Mr. Julius H. Cann.

I believe that the brief committee print will be extremely helpful and will be an interesting adjunct to this much more extensive Senate document whose publication I am now suggesting.

With regard to the latter, I feel that it will be of particular interest and use to all law enforcement agencies of the Government and also, to security officers of Federal agencies.

The voluminous spadework for this particular extensive compilation has







United States for flood-control purposes, which had been reported from the Committee on Public Works with amendments, in line 8, after the word "defraying", to insert "any of"; and in the same line, after the word "the", to strike out "general", so as to make the bill read:

*Be it enacted, etc.,* That section 7 of the act entitled "An act authorizing the construction of certain public works on rivers and harbors for flood control, and for other purposes," approved August 18, 1941, as amended (33 U. S. C. 701c-3), is amended by striking out "situated:" and inserting in lieu thereof "situated, or for defraying any of the expenses of county government in such county or counties."

The amendments were agreed to.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

#### ELIMINATION OF REQUIREMENT THAT NATIONAL BANKS FURNISH LISTS OF SHAREHOLDERS

The bill (S. 1375) to amend section 5210 of the Revised Statutes, was announced as next in order.

Mr. GOLDWATER. Mr. President, the House has passed H. R. 4004, a bill identical to S. 1375. The House bill is now before the Senate Committee on Banking and Currency. I ask unanimous consent that the committee be discharged from further consideration of H. R. 4004 and that the House bill be substituted for the Senate bill, and be considered at this time.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, the Committee on Banking and Currency is discharged from the further consideration of House bill 4004. Is there objection to the present consideration of the bill?

There being no objection, the bill H. R. 4004, to amend section 5210 of the Revised Statutes, was considered, ordered to a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, Senate bill 1375 is indefinitely postponed.

#### PROMOTION OF CERTAIN NAVAL OFFICERS—BILL

The bill (S. 1063) to authorize and request the President to promote certain naval officers, and for other purposes, was announced as next in order.

Mr. GORE. Over, by request.

Mr. SALTONSTALL. Do I understand correctly that S. 1063 is objected to?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection has been made.

Mr. SALTONSTALL. Would the Senator from Tennessee reserve his objection, in order to permit a brief statement, or does the Senator believe he will object anyway?

Mr. GORE. I objected by request of a Senator who is not now in the Chamber. I should be glad to reserve my objection in order to permit the Senator from Massachusetts to make a statement, but it would not affect my obligation.

Mr. SALTONSTALL. Then I think it would be a waste of time for me to make my statement.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The bill will go over, by request.

#### CONSTRUCTION OF AERONAUTICAL RESEARCH FACILITIES

The bill (S. 1805) to promote the national defense by authorizing the construction of aeronautical research facilities and the acquisition of land by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics necessary to the effective prosecution of aeronautical research, was considered, ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, read the third time, and passed, as follows:

*Be it enacted, etc.,* That pursuant to subsection (b) of section 1 of Public Law 672, approved August 8, 1950, the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics is authorized to acquire land, undertake additional construction, and to purchase and install additional equipment at the following locations:

Langley Aeronautical Laboratory, Hampton, Va.: Transonic tunnel boundary-layer system, variable Mach number facility, and substation expansion, \$3,235,290.

Pilotless aircraft station, Wallops Island, Va.: Preflight jet heat accumulator, \$310,000. Ames Aeronautical Laboratory, Moffett Field, Calif.: Modernization of supersonic tunnel, \$990,700.

Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory, Cleveland, Ohio: Acquisition of not to exceed 10 acres of land, \$10.

SEC. 2. Any of the approximate costs enumerated in section 1 of this act may, in the discretion of the Director of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, be varied upward 10 percent and, with the concurrence of the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, by such further amounts as may be necessary to meet unusual cost variations, but the total cost of all work so enumerated shall not exceed \$4,536,000.

SEC. 3. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated not to exceed \$4,536,000 to accomplish the purposes of this act.

#### AUTHORIZING CERTAIN TRANSACTIONS BY DISBURSING OFFICERS OF THE UNITED STATES

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 1307) to amend the act of December 23, 1944, authorizing certain transactions by disbursing officers of the United States, and for other purposes, which had been reported from the Committee on Banking and Currency with an amendment on page 4, line 3, after the word "the", to strike out "Treasury.", and insert "Treasury."

"SEC. 4. The provisions of this act shall terminate on June 30, 1954."", so as to make the bill read:

*Be it enacted, etc.,* That the act entitled "An act to authorize certain transactions by disbursing officers of the United States, and for other purposes," approved December 23, 1944 (ch. 716, 58 Stat. 921; U. S. C., 1946 ed., title 50 App., secs. 1705-1707), is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. Subject to regulations promulgated pursuant to this act, disbursing officers of the United States are authorized, for official purposes, or for the accommodation of members of the Armed Forces and civilian personnel of the United States Gov-

ernment, veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States hospitalized or domiciled in institutions operated by the Veterans' Administration and other institutions operated by agencies of the United States Government, contractors engaged in United States Government projects and the personnel of such contractors, and personnel of authorized nongovernmental agencies operating with agencies of the United States, to cash and negotiate checks, drafts, bills of exchange, and other instruments payable in the United States and foreign currencies, and to conduct exchange transactions involving United States and foreign currency and coin, checks, drafts, bills of exchange, and other instruments; and when satisfactory banking facilities are not available, disbursing officers of the United States in foreign countries are also authorized, for the accommodation of any person who is a United States citizen, to cash checks drawn on the Treasurer of the United States: *Provided*, That such checks are presented by the person to whose order they are drawn. Any official funds which are held by disbursing officers of the United States and which are available for expenditure may, with the approval of the head of the agency having jurisdiction over such funds, be utilized for these purposes.

"SEC. 2. Any gains in the accounts of disbursing officers of the United States resulting from operations permitted by this act shall be paid into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such amounts as may be necessary to adjust any deficiencies in the accounts of disbursing officers of the United States which may result from such operations. For the purposes of this section, the heads of agencies having jurisdiction over disbursing officers of the United States are authorized, on a fiscal year basis, to apply gains to offset deficiencies in the accounts of such disbursing officers.

"SEC. 3. The Secretary of the Treasury and, with the concurrence of the Secretary of the Treasury, the heads of other agencies having jurisdiction over disbursing officers of the United States are hereby authorized respectively to issue such rules and regulations, governing the disbursing officers under their respective jurisdictions, as may be deemed necessary or proper to carry out the purposes of this act: *Provided*, That the Secretary of the Treasury may delegate to the head of any agency, subject to such terms and conditions as he may prescribe, authority to issue such rules and regulations governing disbursing officers who are officers or employees of such agency and exercise the function of disbursement pursuant to a delegation by the Secretary of the Treasury.

"SEC. 4. The provisions of this act shall terminate on June 30, 1954."

The amendment was agreed to.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

#### FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF FIRST AIRPLANE FLIGHT

The joint resolution (H. J. Res. 241) to appoint a committee to attend the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the first airplane flight at Kill Devil Hills, Kitty Hawk, N. C., was announced as next in order.

Mr. McCARRAN. I ask unanimous consent that Calendar No. 213, House Joint Resolution 241, be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.



The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS, 1953

The bill (H. R. 4664) making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953, and for other purposes, was announced as next in order.

Mr. HENDRICKSON. This is a bill which should go over. It should not go to the foot of the calendar.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The bill will go over.

### HOUSING IN CONNECTION WITH NATIONAL DEFENSE

The bill (S. 1376) to amend section 503 of the act entitled "An act to expedite the provision of housing in connection with national defense and for other purposes" approved October 14, 1940, as amended, was considered, ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, read the third time, and passed, as follows:

*Be it enacted, etc.,* That section 503 of the act entitled "An act to expedite the provision of housing in connection with national defense, and for other purposes," approved October 14, 1940, as amended, is further amended by inserting after the words "during the present war" the following: "and prior to such date thereafter as shall be determined by the President."

Mr. GOLDWATER. Mr. President, in relation to the Senate bill 1376, which has just been passed, the report of the committee as now printed contains the name "Latham" in the heading. I ask unanimous consent that the name be changed to "Lanham," and that in the last sentence in the second paragraph the words, "Public Law 45," be changed to "Public Law 450."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, the corrections will be made.

Mr. GOLDWATER. I now ask unanimous consent that the report on this bill be printed in the RECORD at this point.

There being no objection, the report (No. 213) was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

The Committee on Banking and Currency, to whom was referred the bill (S. 1376) to amend section 403 of the act entitled "An act to expedite the provision of housing in connection with national defense, and for other purposes," approved October 14, 1940, as amended, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

This bill would enact a technical amendment to the Lanham Act (42 U. S. C. 1521 et seq.) which would clarify the authority of the Housing and Home Finance Agency to give, after July 1, 1953, to any Korean war veteran whose service commences after that time the same preference for admission to housing provided under title V of that act as is given to veterans of World War II and to Korean war veterans whose services commenced before that time. The necessity for this clarifying legislation arises from the fact that certain powers will expire on July 1 of this year under the Emergency Powers Continuation Act (Public Law 450, 82d Cong.), as amended by Public Law 12, 83d Congress.

The bill would not involve any expenditures, administrative or otherwise, and would

prevent discrimination against some Korean veterans which might otherwise result from a legal technicality.

The Lanham Act governs the administration and disposition of World War II war and veterans' housing. Title V is the veterans' housing title of that act. Section 503 defines veterans and servicemen as those serving "during the present war," which has been construed to mean those who have served on or after September 16, 1940, and prior to the Japanese Peace Treaty. Subsection 1 (a) (21) of the Emergency Powers Continuation Act, as amended by Public Law 12, 83d Congress, made it clear that, notwithstanding the Japanese Peace Treaty, the preference in admission to housing which was made available to veterans by title V of the Lanham Act could be extended to persons who served in the Armed Forces after the Japanese Peace Treaty and before July 1, 1953. Thus the Congress has assured veterans' preference under title V of the Lanham Act for persons serving in the Armed Forces during the Korean conflict and before July 1, 1953.

The approaching July 1 time limitation is inconsistent, however, with the laws governing other housing preferences which make adequate provision for all Korean veterans. Public Law 214, 82d Congress, approved October 26, 1951, amended all other housing preferences administered by the Housing and Home Finance Agency so as to make provision for all Korean veterans. The only reason why a consistent amendment to section 503 was not then enacted is that the Japanese Peace Treaty had not yet been made effective, thereby making such amendment unnecessary at that time.

About 250,000 family dwelling units in war and veterans' housing are now under active management of the Housing Agency, pending their disposal. The bill would affect the eligibility of future Korean veterans to be admitted to these units as vacancies occur, provided, of course, that the particular project remains in active management.

This bill authorizes the President to determine a future cutoff date for Korean war service. This is consistent with veterans' preference provisions which the act of October 26, 1951, provided for other titles of the Lanham Act and for the several acts administered by the Housing Agency which contain veterans' preference provisions.

#### CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW

In compliance with subsection (4) of rule XXIX of the Standing Rules of the Senate, changes in existing law made by the bill, as reported, are shown as follows (existing law proposed to be omitted is enclosed in brackets, new matter is printed in italics, existing law in which no change is proposed is shown in roman):

"AN ACT TO EXPEDITE THE PROVISIONS OF HOUSING IN CONNECTION WITH NATIONAL DEFENSE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, APPROVED OCTOBER 14, 1940, AS AMENDED

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"SEC. 503. As used in this title V the term 'families of servicemen' shall include the family of any person who is serving in the military or naval forces of the United States, and the term 'veterans' shall include any person who has served in the military or naval forces of the United States during the present war and prior to such date thereafter as shall be determined by the President, and who have been discharged or released therefrom under conditions other than dishonorable."

### COMMISSION ON GOVERNMENTAL FUNCTIONS AND FISCAL RESOURCES

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 1514) to establish a Commission

on Governmental Functions and Fiscal Resources, which had been reported from the Committee on Government Operations with amendments.

Mr. TAFT. Mr. President, this is a bill which was requested by President Eisenhower. It proposes to create a joint legislative and public commission, to be comprised of 5 Members of the House, 5 Members of the Senate, and 15 members appointed by the President, to study the whole problem of Federal aid to States, and to determine the correct basis of such Federal aid, whether it has gone too far, or has not gone far enough, and what fields should be covered, if aid is approved. That is one purpose.

The second purpose is to study the sources of revenues for each division of the Federal Government and of State and local governments, in order to ascertain whether they have adequate funds to cover the particular fields within the general scope covered by the Commission, and, if not, to endeavor to suggest means whereby sufficient money may be provided for that purpose.

Roughly speaking, the Commission proposes to deal with matters of housing, health, welfare, education, highways, and other matters which have been the subjects of State aid, or which may have been the proposed subjects of State aid.

There is one committee amendment to which I shall offer an amendment. I think the bill was reported unanimously by the committee. I see no particular reason why it should not be passed on the call of the calendar.

Mr. HENDRICKSON. Mr. President, not very long ago—on the floor of the Senate April 1—to be exact, I paid what I believe to be a well-deserved tribute to President Eisenhower for his prompt fulfillment of a campaign pledge on taxation policy when he proposed that the Congress establish a Commission to Study Federal-State Relations.

Of course, Mr. President, Senate bill 1514, which I rise to support today, does more than merely propose a study of taxation policy.

It will establish a Commission to examine the entire field of overlapping functions, duplication, and waste, and all the knotted vines in a jungle of confusion which have grown up and entangled our fiscal relationships and our budgets at all levels of government in recent years.

Senate bill 1514 will provide the answers to these monumental problems.

I shall ever be proud of the fact that I have made some contribution to the formulation of this legislation through my years in the Senate, and that some of my views are incorporated in the final version of the legislation before us.

All of us here assembled owe a debt of thanks to our distinguished majority leader [Mr. TAFT] and to all those on both sides of the aisle and in both Houses of the Congress who have labored over a period of years in what appeared to be forgotten vineyards.

We surely owe our deepest appreciation for the dispatch and understanding with which the distinguished Committee on Government Operations and its able







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# S. 1376

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 7, 1953

Referred to the Committee on Banking and Currency

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## AN ACT

To amend section 503 of the Act entitled "An Act to expedite the provision of housing in connection with national defense, and for other purposes", approved October 14, 1940, as amended.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*  
3       That section 503 of the Act entitled "An Act to expedite  
4       the provision of housing in connection with national defense,  
5       and for other purposes", approved October 14, 1940, as  
6       amended, is further amended by inserting after the words  
7       "during the present war" the following: "and prior to such  
8       date thereafter as shall be determined by the President".

Passed the Senate May 6, 1953.

Attest:

J. MARK TRICE,

*Secretary.*

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S. 1376

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## AN ACT

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MAY 7, 1953

Referred to the Committee on Banking and Currency







## CONTINUING HOUSING PREFERENCES UNDER TITLE V OF THE LANHAM ACT TO KOREAN WAR VETERANS

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JUNE 18, 1953.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State  
of the Union and ordered to be printed

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Mr. WOLCOTT, from the Committee on Banking and Currency, sub-  
mitted the following

### R E P O R T

[To accompany S. 1376]

The Committee on Banking and Currency, to whom was referred the bill (S. 1376) to amend section 503 of the act entitled "An act to expedite the provision of housing in connection with national defense, and for other purposes," having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

The act entitled "An Act to expedite the provision of housing in connection with national defense, and for other purposes," approved October 14, 1940, as amended, is commonly known as the Lanham Act. That act governs the administration and disposition of World War II war and veterans' housing. About 250,000 of approximately 800,000 family units of such housing originally constructed remain under active management of the Housing Agency, pending ultimate disposition.

Title V of the Lanham Act is the veterans' housing title of that act. Section 503 of said title V defines "veterans" as those serving "during the present war," which has been construed to mean those who have served on or after September 16, 1940, and prior to the Japanese Peace Treaty. Subsection 1 (a) (28) of the Emergency Powers Continuation Act, as amended by Public Law 12, 83d Congress, made it clear that, notwithstanding the Japanese Peace Treaty, the preference in admission to housing which was made available to veterans by title V of the Lanham Act could be extended to persons who served in the Armed Forces after the Japanese Peace Treaty and before July 1, 1953. Thus the Congress has assured veterans' preference under title V of the Lanham Act for persons serving in the Armed Forces during the Korean conflict and before July 1, 1953.

2 CONTINUE HOUSING PREFERENCES TO KOREAN WAR VETERANS

The bill would modify the definition of "veterans" as contained in section 503 of the Lanham Act so as to include Korean war veterans who enter the armed services on and after July 1, 1953, and before a future cutoff date to be determined by the President. It would give to such veterans the same preference for admission to Lanham Act housing as is given to veterans of World War II and to Korean war veterans whose services commenced before that time. This is consistent with veterans' preference provisions which the act of October 26, 1951, provided for other titles of the Lanham Act and for the several acts administered by the Housing Agency which contain veterans' preference provisions.

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW

In compliance with clause 3 of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, changes in existing law made by the bill, as passed the Senate, are shown as follows (new matter is printed in italics; existing law in which no change is proposed is shown in roman):

AN ACT TO EXPEDITE THE PROVISION OF HOUSING IN CONNECTION WITH NATIONAL DEFENSE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, APPROVED OCTOBER 14, 1940, AS AMENDED

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TITLE V

HOUSING FOR DISTRESSED FAMILIES OF SERVICEMEN AND VETERANS WITH FAMILIES

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SEC. 503. As used in this title V the term "Families of servicemen" shall include the family of any person who is serving in the military or naval forces of the United States, and the term "veterans" shall include any person who has served in the military or naval forces of the United States during the present war *and prior to such date thereafter as shall be determined by the President* and who have been discharged or released therefrom under conditions other than dishonorable.

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**S. 1376**

[Report No. 627]

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**AN ACT**

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1        *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2        *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*  
3        That section 503 of the Act entitled "An Act to expedite  
4        the provision of housing in connection with national defense,  
5        and for other purposes", approved October 14, 1940, as  
6        amended, is further amended by inserting after the words  
7        "during the present war" the following: "and prior to such  
8        date thereafter as shall be determined by the President".

Passed the Senate May 6, 1953.

Attest:

J. MARK TRICE,

*Secretary.*

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1<sup>st</sup> Session

**S. 1376**

[Report No. 627]

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## **AN ACT**

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## CONSIDERATION OF S. 1376

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JUNE 23, 1953.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

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Mr. ALLEN of Illinois, from the Committee on Rules, submitted the following

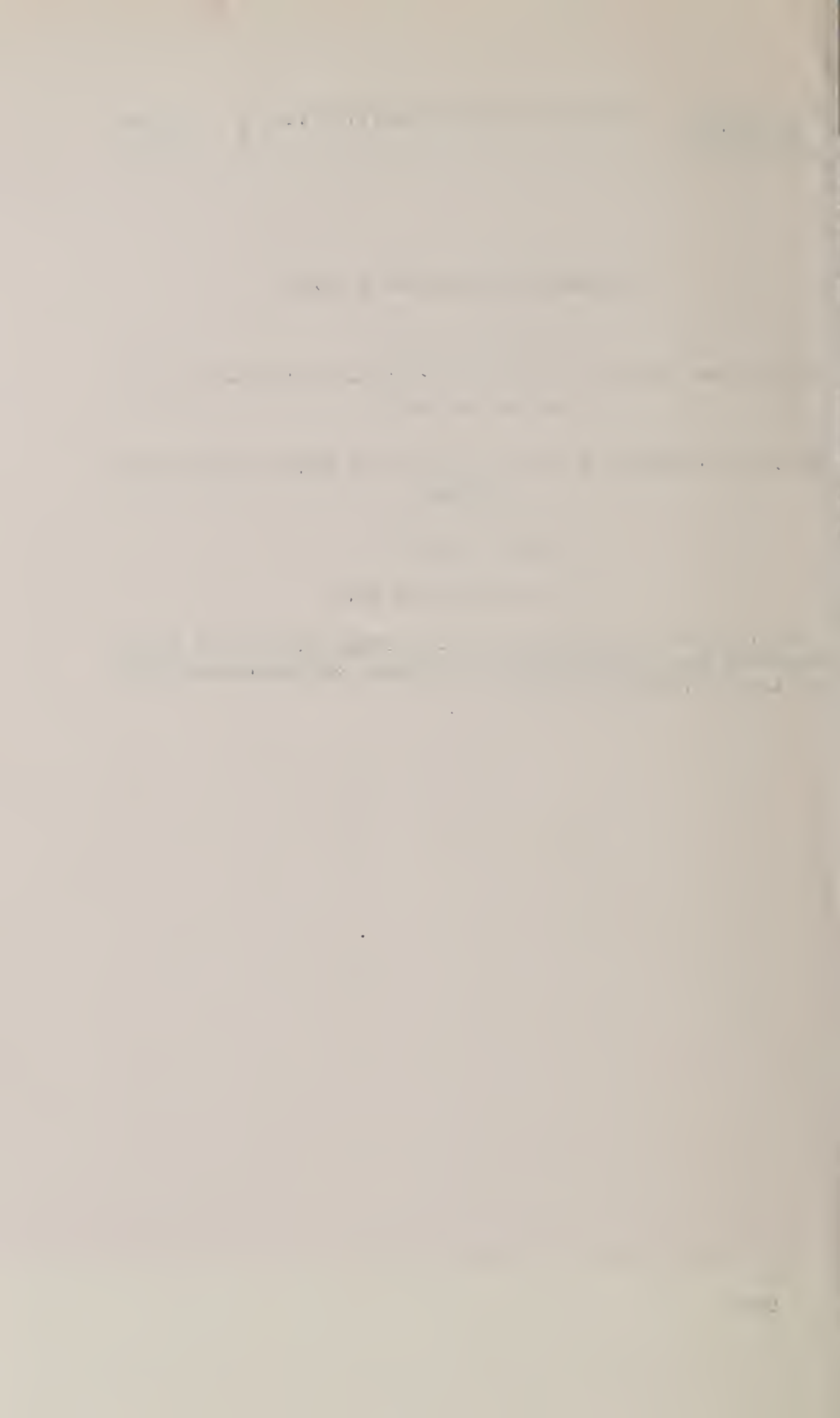
### R E P O R T

[To accompany H. Res. 299]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 299, report the same to the House with the recommendation that the resolution do pass.







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# H. RES. 299

[Report No. 636]

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 23, 1953

Mr. ALLEN of Illinois, from the Committee on Rules, reported the following resolution; which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

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## RESOLUTION

1      *Resolved*, That upon the adoption of this resolution it  
2 shall be in order to move that the House resolve itself into  
3 the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the  
4 Union for the consideration of the bill (S. 1376) to amend  
5 section 503 of the Act entitled "An Act to expedite the pro-  
6 vision of housing in connection with national defense, and  
7 for other purposes", approved October 14, 1940, as  
8 amended. After general debate, which shall be confined to  
9 the bill, and shall continue not to exceed one hour, to be  
10 equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking  
11 minority member of the Committee on Banking and Cur-  
12 rency, the bill shall be read for amendment under the five-  
13 minute rule. At the conclusion of the consideration of the

1 bill for amendment, the Committee shall rise and report the  
 2 bill to the House with such amendments as may have been  
 3 adopted, and the previous question shall be considered as  
 4 ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage  
 5 without intervening motion - exception one motion to  
 6 recommit.

House Calendar No. 83

83d CONGRESS  
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## H. RES. 299

[Report No. 636]

### RESOLUTION

Providing for the consideration of S. 1376, a bill to amend section 503 of the Act entitled "An Act to expedite the provision of housing in connection with national defense, and for other purposes", approved October 14, 1940, as amended.

By Mr. ALLEN of Illinois

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Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed







17. ADJOURNED until Mon., June 29 (p. 7761). Legislative program for this week, as announced by the majority leader: Mon., excess-profits tax; Tues., VA office in Philippines, post office bill, and Interparliamentary Union; remainder of week, Defense Department appropriation bill; conference reports at any time (pp. 7719-20).

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18. REORGANIZATION. Concurred in the House amendment to S. 106, to establish a Commission on Governmental Operations (pp. 7636-7). This bill will now be sent to the President.
19. INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS. Agreed to the House amendment to S. 1514 with a further amendment (p. 7636). (See item 16 of this Digest for later action.)
20. WHEAT AGREEMENT. Received from this Department a proposed bill to amend the International Wheat Agreement Act of 1949; to Foreign Relations Committee (p. 7630).
- S. 1376 and Prop. Leg. 191*
21. FARM LOANS. Received from this Department a proposed bill to make permanent the farm-housing loan authorization of the Housing Act of 1949; to Banking and Currency Committee (p. 7630).
22. TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS. The Appropriations Committee reported without amendment H. J. Res. 287, making temporary appropriations for the fiscal year 1954 (S. Rept. 474). Sen. Bridges requested immediate consideration, but Sen. Gore objected and asked that the measure go over until today. (p. 7686.) (See item 10 of this Digest for House action on the measure.)
23. ELECTRIFICATION; FERTILIZER. Sen. Morse criticized the administration's electric power policies and inserted a statement by USDA officials on fertilizer (pp. 7686-706).
24. FOREIGN AID. S. 2128, to extend the mutual security program, was made the unfinished business (p. 7675).
25. DROUGHT RELIEF. Sens. Thye, Schoeppel, and Johnson of Tex. spoke on the seriousness of the current drought and asked for Government aid in this connection (pp. 7639-40, 7682-4).
26. ELECTRIFICATION. Sen. Kefauver criticized the Government's electric-power policies, particularly as they affect TVA (pp. 7677-82).
27. LABOR-HEW APPROPRIATION BILL, 1954. The Appropriations Committee ordered reported (but did not actually report) with amendments H. R. 5246. The "Daily Digest" states: "As approved, the bill would provide a total of \$2,008,435,761, an increase of \$27,729,300 over the House-passed figure of \$1,980,706,461." (p. D626.)
28. ARMY CIVIL FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATION BILL, 1954. Passed with amendments this bill, H. R. 5376 (pp. 7641-75). Senate conferees were appointed (p. 7675).
29. ELECTRIFICATION. Sen. Hennings inserted his statement concerning Federal power policy, opposing the House Appropriations Committee's action on this matter and urging adequate funds for water resources and rural electrification (pp. 7637-9).
30. RECESSED until Mon., June 29 (p. 7706).

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31. WATER-FACILITIES LOANS. H. R. 5975, by Rep. Gathings, to extend the Water Facilities Act to the entire U. S.; to Agriculture Committee (p. 7761). Remarks of author (p. 7760).
32. LIVESTOCK. H. R. 5970, <sup>by Rep. Albert,</sup> to provide for the purchase of canner, cutter, and utility grade cattle; to Agriculture Committee (p. 7761).
33. ALASKA LANDS. S. 2232, by Sen. Butler, Nebr., relating to reservation of public lands in Alaska; to Interior and Insular Affairs Committee (p. 7633).

ITEMS IN APPENDIX

34. WHEAT MARKETING. During debate on H. R. 5451, to amend the wheat marketing quota law, Rep. Hays favored reducing the acreage allotment from 66 to 62 million acres as recommended by this Department (p. A4063).
35. FARM POLICY. During debate on H. R. 5451, Rep. McCarthy criticized the administration's farm policies, claiming the farmers were promised 100% of parity but are getting about 93% (pp. A4063-4).
36. GRAZING LANDS. Rep. Metcalf inserted Bernard DeVoto's recent article criticizing the Chamber of Commerce for furnishing scripts for local radio programs favoring the stockmen's grazing bills (pp. A4069-71).
37. TARIFFS; INTEREST RATES. Rep. Deane inserted Rep. Lantaff's speech blaming the administration for "high interest rates and high tariffs" (pp. A4074-6).
38. TEXTILES. Rep. Lane inserted a National Wool Grower article discussing the battle between synthetic-fiber manufacturers and wool-cotton groups (pp. A4080-1).
39. T. V. A. Rep. Perkins inserted a newspaper editorial defending TVA and deploring administration decisions regarding it (pp. A4082-3).
40. BANKING AND CURRENCY. Rep. Multer inserted Doris Fleeson's article claiming Mr. Eccles feels that the immediate danger ahead is deflation (pp. A4078-9).  
Rep. Hiestand inserted Pres. Shoup's (Holly Sugar Corp.) recent speech favoring "return to sound currency" (pp. A4083-4).
41. GRAZING LANDS. Rep. D'Ewart inserted an Arizona Republic article favoring H. R. 4023, the stockmen's grazing bill (p. A4097).
42. EXPENDITURES; TAXATION. Rep. Steed inserted a Stillwater (Okla.) Chamber of Commerce plan for a balanced budget and tax relief (p. A4105).
43. FORESTRY RESEARCH. Rep. Davis inserted Harris Ellsworth's address urging continued institutional research in forest products (pp. A4108-10).

BILL APPROVED BY THE PRESIDENT

44. EXTENSION SERVICE. S. 1679, to consolidate Extension Service authorizations. Approved June 26, 1953 (Public Law 83, 83rd Cong.).



part of the proceedings on this bill. This exchange of correspondence follows herewith:

JUNE 12, 1953.

HON. GUY HOLLYDAY,  
Administrator, Federal Housing Admin-  
istration, Washington, D. C.

DEAR MR. HOLLYDAY: When the defense housing bill was before the House of Representatives in August 1951 (82d Cong.) there was considerable discussion as to the policy of the Federal Housing Administration with regard to racial segregation and discrimination in the projects with which it guaranteed mortgages. I would appreciate very much your advising me as to present FHA policy and any projected plans on policy regarding (1) guaranties on mortgages for projects in which segregation or discrimination in choosing buyers or tenants is practiced, and (2) properties disposed of by FHA in respect of segregation or discrimination in connection with such disposition or resulting private ownership.

Sincerely,

J. K. JAVITS,  
Member of Congress.

FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION,  
Washington, D. C., June 18, 1953.

HON. J. K. JAVITS,  
House of Representatives,  
Washington, D. C.

DEAR MR. JAVITS: I am pleased to give you the information requested in your letter of June 12, 1953.

With respect to question No. (1) the mortgagor under a mortgage insured by this Administration may sell, or lease, or allow his property to be occupied in accordance with his own wishes. He must, however, certify that until the mortgage has been paid in full, or the contract of insurance otherwise terminated, he will not file for record any restriction upon the basis of race, color, or creed or execute any agreement, lease, or conveyance affecting the mortgaged property which imposes any such restriction upon its sale or occupancy. We have in the past and shall continue to insure rental properties the units of which are offered by the mortgagor on an open occupancy basis.

With respect to question No. (2) property acquired by this Administration is offered by the Commissioner for rent or sale without any limitations, requirements or conditions based upon race, color, or creed.

Sincerely,

GUY T. O. HOLLYDAY,  
Commissioner.

(Mr. JAVITS asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks and to include extraneous matter.)

Mr. PRICE. Mr. Chairman, I urge the House today to approve an amendment to the legislation now under consideration which would provide for authority to lower the downpayment on home purchases under mortgage insured by the Federal Housing Administration. This would give to families in the middle and lower income brackets a fair chance to buy homes they want and need.

In my opinion if we do not act today to grant this authority, we may invite a crisis in the home building industry. Failure to adjust the FHA downpayment at this time could have great repercussions on the home building industry—and I would remind my colleagues in the House that the building industry is one of the major props in our national economy.

I would like to point to the decline in home building in recent months and call attention to the threat to the industry

under the new Administration's hard-money policy.

If a serious building slump should occur after this session of Congress adjourns the Administration would be powerless to act in lowering FHA downpayments unless we place such legislation on the Statute books authorizing it to act.

I might point out, also, that for the first time since the end of World War II, the start of home construction for the month of May has dropped below that of April. Usually, home builders are at peak production in May.

I think Congress should be alert to this situation and I hope that my colleagues in the House today will approve an amendment to permit the lowering of FHA downpayments.

The CHAIRMAN. Under the rule, the Committee rises.

Accordingly the Committee rose; and the Speaker having resumed the chair, Mr. CORBETT, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, reported that that Committee, having had under consideration the bill (H. R. 5667) to amend the National Housing Act and other laws relating to housing, he reported the bill back to the House with sundry amendments adopted by the Committee of the Whole.

The SPEAKER. Under the rule, the previous question is ordered.

Is a separate vote demanded on any amendment? If not, the Chair will put them en bloc.

The amendments were agreed to.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the engrossment and third reading of the bill.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, and was read the third time.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the passage of the bill.

The bill was passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Mr. WOLCOTT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Clerk be authorized to correct section numbers in the bill just passed.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Michigan?

There was no objection.

#### GENERAL LEAVE TO EXTEND

Mr. SPENCE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days to extend their remarks on the bill just passed.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Kentucky?

There was no objection.

#### TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1954

Mr. TABER. Mr. Speaker, I call up the joint resolution (H. J. Res. 287) making temporary appropriations for the fiscal year 1954, and for other purposes, and ask unanimous consent that the joint resolution be considered in the House as in the Committee of the Whole.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New York?

There was no objection.

Mr. TABER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the joint resolution be considered as read.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New York?

There was no objection.

(The joint resolution is as follows:)

*Resolved, etc.,* That there are hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, and out of applicable corporate or other revenues, receipts, and funds, for the several departments, agencies, corporations, and other organizational units in each branch of the Government—

(a) (1) Such amounts as may be necessary for continuing projects or activities (not otherwise specifically provided for in this joint resolution) which were conducted in the fiscal year 1953 and for which appropriations, funds, or other authority would be made available in both the House and Senate versions of the following appropriation acts:

First Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1954;

Department of Agriculture Appropriation Act, 1954;

Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce Appropriation Act, 1954;

Interior Department Appropriation Act, 1954.

(2) Appropriations made by this subsection shall be available to the extent and in the manner which would be provided for by the pertinent appropriation act: *Provided*, That in any case where the amount which would be made available or the authority which would be granted under such act as passed by the House is different from that which would be made available or granted under such act as passed by the Senate, the pertinent project or activity shall be carried out under the lesser amount or the more restrictive authority.

(b) (1) Such amounts as may be necessary for continuing projects or activities (not otherwise provided for in this joint resolution) which were conducted in the fiscal year 1953, and for which appropriations, funds, or other authority would be made available in the following appropriation acts:

Departments of Labor and Health, Education, and Welfare Appropriation Act, 1954;

Civil Functions Appropriation Act, 1954;

District of Columbia Appropriation Act, 1954;

Second Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1954.

(2) Appropriations made by this subsection shall be available to the extent and in the manner which would be provided for by the pertinent appropriation act: *Provided*, That in any case where the amount which would be made available or the authority which would be granted under such act as passed by the House is different from that requested in the budget estimate for 1954, the pertinent project or activity shall be carried out under the lesser amount or the more restrictive authority.

(c) Such amounts, real property, and the use thereof, commodities and services, as may be necessary for continuing projects or activities which were conducted in the fiscal year 1953 and for which appropriations, funds, or other authority would be made available in the Department of Defense Appropriation Act, 1954 (H. R. ), to the extent and in the manner which would be provided for by said H. R. as that bill was reported to the House on June 27, 1953.



(d) Such amounts as may be necessary for continuing projects or activities conducted in the fiscal year 1953 and listed in this subsection, at a rate for operations not in excess of the current rate or the rate permitted by the budget estimated or the amount specified herein, whichever is lowest:

Economic Adviser to the President (Council of Economic Advisers);

Committee on Retirement Policy for Federal Personnel;

Civil Service Commission: Investigations of United States citizens for employment by international organizations;

Export-Import Bank of Washington;

Federal Civil Defense Administration;

Reconstruction Finance Corporation;

Department of Commerce: Export control;

Department of Defense: Civil functions;

Government and relief in occupied areas;

Defense Production Act activities: Executive Office of the President: Office of Defense Mobilization;

Independent Offices:

Defense transport activities;

Economic Stabilization Agency;

General Services Administration: Emergency operating expenses;

Department of Commerce: Office of the Secretary (not to exceed \$375,000);

Department of the Interior: Office of the Secretary.

(e) (1) Such amounts as may be necessary for continuing projects or activities which were conducted in the fiscal year 1953 and for which appropriations, funds, or other authority would be made available in the Legislative-Judiciary Appropriation Act, 1954, to the extent and in the manner which would be provided for in said act as passed by the House.

(2) Such amounts as may be necessary for continuing projects or activities of the Senate and of the Senate items under the Architect of the Capitol, to the extent and in the manner which would be provided for in the budget estimates for the fiscal year 1954.

(f) Such amounts as are respectively set forth herein for continuing projects or activities which were conducted in the fiscal year 1953, as follows:

Mutual Security Program, \$245 million;

Department of State;

International Information Administration, \$5,700,000;

Government in occupied areas, \$3,500,000.

(g) Such amount as may be necessary for continuing projects or activities which were conducted in the fiscal year 1953 in the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands and for which appropriations would be made available in the Interior Department Appropriation Act, 1954, to the extent and in the manner which would be provided for in said act as passed by the Senate.

SEC. 2. Except as otherwise herein provided, appropriations and funds made available and authority granted pursuant to this joint resolution shall be subject to the general provisions of chapter XIV of the Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1953, to the same extent as the comparable appropriations, funds, and authority were subject to such provisions in the fiscal year 1953.

SEC. 3. Appropriations and funds made available and authority granted pursuant to this joint resolution shall remain available until (a) enactment into law of an appropriation for any project or activity provided for herein, or (b) enactment of the applicable appropriation act by both Houses without any provision for such project or activity, or (c) July 31, 1953, whichever first occurs.

SEC. 4. Appropriations and funds made available and authority granted pursuant to this joint resolution may be used without regard to the time limitations set forth in subsection (d) (2) of section 3679, revised

statutes, and expenditures therefrom shall be charged to any applicable appropriation, fund, or authorization whenever a bill in which such applicable appropriation, fund, or authorization is contained is enacted into law.

SEC. 5. Except as provided in subsection 1 (c) hereof, appropriations made and authority granted pursuant to this joint resolution, whether in specified or unspecified amounts, shall cover all obligations or expenditures incurred for the pertinent project or activity, including foreign currencies or credits owed to or owned by the United States which are used for such projects or activities: *Provided*, That foreign currencies or credits owed to or owned by the United States may be used without regard to this section for liquidation of obligations legally incurred against such credits prior to July 1, 1953.

SEC. 6. No appropriation or fund made available or authority granted pursuant to this joint resolution shall be used to initiate or resume any project or activity which was not being conducted during the fiscal year 1953.

Mr. TABER. Mr. Speaker, this is a joint resolution introduced for the purpose of providing appropriations which it has not been possible to enact into a law to keep the Departments and Agencies of the Government in operation for the month of July. We have provided that the lower amount adopted by either body shall govern where there is a difference, and both Houses have passed the bill. We have provided that where a bill has only passed one body, that the amount that the House has provided, the lower amount of the House provision or the budget, should govern. We have prohibited embarking upon new projects unless they are included in both bills.

Mr. Speaker, I believe that is all I care to say about the bill at this time.

Mr. CANNON. Mr. Speaker, this is the usual continuing resolution, and follows practically verbatim the stereotype form that has always been used and merely conforms to the situation as we find it. It conforms to the classification of bills which have passed one House, or both Houses, or neither. It is necessary to pass this joint resolution by midnight June 30 in order to keep the Government operating. The Committee on Appropriations has reported it out unanimously.

Mr. JONES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. TABER. I yield.

Mr. JONES of Missouri. Does the gentleman think it would be possible if the House would stay in session 5 days a week, to get these bills passed before June 30?

Mr. TABER. No, not if the committee is to give the consideration to these bills that they should have.

Mr. JONES of Missouri. The gentleman does not think so?

Mr. TABER. I think it can be done next year because we will be starting earlier than we were able to start this year. With the start we had this year, we have not had the length of time we really should for the consideration of the bills by the subcommittees.

Mr. JONES of Missouri. Does the gentleman think that the Members staying here the rest of the week, instead of working from Tuesday to Thursday

only, as we do most of the time, would have an effect on it?

Mr. TABER. Not the slightest.

Mr. JONES of Missouri. But the gentleman thinks that he can make us a promise to get these bills out earlier next year?

Mr. TABER. I know we can get them out earlier next year.

Mr. CANNON. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. TABER. I yield to the gentleman from Missouri.

Mr. CANNON. In response to the suggestion of the gentleman from Missouri [Mr. JONES] may I absolve the Committee on Appropriations from responsibility for much of the delay this year. We have not been operating more expeditiously because the Bureau of the Budget has been slow in sending up the estimates. The committee could hardly have reported these bills sooner, because they did not have the estimates on which to work.

Mr. TABER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution may be considered as read.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection? There was no objection.

Mr. TABER. Mr. Speaker, I offer an amendment.

The Clerk read as follows:

Committee amendment offered by Mr. TABER:

On page 2, after line 10, insert "Civil Functions Appropriation Act, 1954."

On page 3, strike out all of line 5.

Mr. CANNON. Mr. Speaker, as I understand it, this is made necessary by the action of the other body in passing within the hour one of the appropriation bills received from the House.

Mr. TABER. That is correct.

Mr. CANNON. As a result, the bill is reclassified and transferred from one paragraph to another.

Mr. TABER. That is correct. This will avoid the necessity of the Senate's passing an amendment to the bill along this line, and then having the bill come back here.

Mr. CANNON. Mr. Speaker, in this connection, attention might be drawn to a rather singular coincidence.

On Saturday—our traditional day of rest—the House met this morning at 10 o'clock, has been working steadily and is sitting late. The other body met this morning at 10 o'clock, has been working steadily, and is sitting late. It is a very happy augury of events to come.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the amendment.

The amendment was agreed to.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the resolution.

The resolution was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### HOUSING PREFERENCES TO KOREAN VETERANS UNDER THE LANHAM ACT

Mr. WOLCOTT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent for the immediate



consideration of S. 1376, an act to amend section 503 of the act entitled, "An act to expedite the provision of housing in connection with national defense, and for other purposes, approved October 14, 1940, as amended."

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Michigan?

There was no objection.

Mr. WOLCOTT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be considered in the House as in Committee of the Whole.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Michigan?

There was no objection.

The Clerk read the bill, as follows:

*Be it enacted, etc.,* That section 503 of the act entitled "An act to expedite the provision of housing in connection with national defense, and for other purposes," approved October 14, 1940, as amended, is further amended by inserting after the words "during the present war" the following: "and prior to such date thereafter as shall be determined by the President."

Mr. WOLCOTT. Mr. Speaker, this bill, as passed by the Senate and as reported out of the Committee on Banking and Currency, provides that the benefits and advantages in respect to the occupancy of Lanham Act houses which are now extended to World War II veterans will be extended to include all Korean veterans. That is about all it provides. These are in respect to the Lanham temporaries, and the law provides that the veterans shall be given priority and preference in the occupancy of those units.

Mr. SPENCE. Mr. Speaker, I join with my chairman in asking for the passage of this bill. There certainly can be no reason why all the privileges and rights that were extended to veterans of World War II should not be extended to the Korean veterans.

Mr. WOLCOTT. Mr. Speaker, I offer an amendment.

The Clerk read as follows:

Committee amendment offered by Mr. Wolcott: At the end of the bill add the following new sections:

"Sec. 2. Section 1 (b) (2) of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"Any veteran (defined herein as a person who served in the military forces of the United States during any war between the United States and any other nation or during the period beginning June 27, 1950, and ending on such date as shall be determined by Presidential proclamation or concurrent resolution of Congress and who was discharged or released therefrom under conditions other than dishonorable) who intends to engage in farming as a principal occupation, and who meets the requirements of rules and regulations prescribed by the Secretary as to industry, experience, character, and other assurances of success as a farmer, shall be eligible for the benefits of this title and his application shall be entitled to preference over the applications of nonveterans."

"Sec. 3. Section 507 of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"As between eligible applicants seeking assistance under this title, the Secretary shall give preference to veterans and the families of deceased servicemen. As used herein, a "veteran" shall mean a person who

served in the military forces of the United States during any war between the United States and any other nation or during the period beginning June 27, 1950, and ending on such date as shall be determined by Presidential proclamation or concurrent resolution of Congress and who was discharged or released therefrom on conditions other than dishonorable. "Deceased servicemen" shall mean persons who served in the military forces of the United States during any war between the United States and any other nation or during the period beginning June 27, 1950, and ending on such date as shall be determined by Presidential proclamation or concurrent resolution of Congress and who died in service before the termination of such war or such period."

Mr. WOLCOTT. Mr. Speaker, this amendment is in two sections, but it merely extends the benefits of the Bankhead Jones Act and title V of the Housing Act of 1949 which were extended to World War II veterans to the Korean veterans. That is all there is to it.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Michigan.

The amendment was agreed to.

The bill was ordered to be read a third time, was read the third time and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

By unanimous consent, House Resolution 299 was laid on the table.

#### AMENDING NATIONAL HOUSING ACT

Mr. WOLCOTT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent for the present consideration of the bill (S. 2103) to amend the National Housing Act and other laws relating to housing, and if this request is granted I shall move to substitute the provisions of H. R. 5667 for the Senate bill.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Michigan?

There was no objection.

The Clerk read as follows:

*Be it enacted, etc.,* That this act may be cited as the "Housing Amendments of 1953."

Sec. 2. Section 8 (b) (2) of the National Housing Act, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(2) involve a principal obligation (including such initial service charges, appraisal, inspection, and other fees as the Commissioner shall approve) in an amount not to exceed \$5,700, and not to exceed 95 percent of the appraised value, as of the date the mortgage is accepted for insurance, of a property upon which there is located a dwelling designed principally for a single-family residence, and which is approved for mortgage insurance prior to the beginning of construction: *Provided*, That the mortgagor shall be the owner and occupant of the property at the time of insurance and shall have paid on account of the property at least 5 percent of the Commissioner's estimate of the cost of acquisition in cash or its equivalent, or shall be the builder constructing the dwelling, in which case the principal obligation shall not exceed 85 percent of the appraised value of the property or \$5,100: *Provided further*, That the Commissioner finds that the project with respect to which the mortgage is executed is an acceptable risk, giving consideration to the need for providing adequate housing for families of low and moderate income particularly in suburban and outly-

ing areas: *And provided further*, That, where the mortgagor is the owner and occupant of the property and establishes (to the satisfaction of the Commissioner) that his home, which he occupied as an owner or as a tenant, was destroyed or damaged to such an extent that reconstruction is required as a result of a flood, fire, hurricane, earthquake, storm, or other catastrophe, which the President, pursuant to section 2 (a) of the act entitled 'An act to authorize Federal assistance to States and local governments in major disasters, and for other purposes' (Public Law 875, 81st Cong., approved September 30, 1950), has determined to be a major disaster, such maximum dollar limitation may be increased by the Commissioner from \$5,700 to \$7,000, and the percentage limitation may be increased by the Commissioner from 95 percent to 100 percent of the appraised value;"

SEC. 3. Section 203 of said act, as amended, is hereby amended by adding the following new subsection at the end thereof:

"(g) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section, a mortgage otherwise eligible for insurance hereunder and covering property upon which there is located a dwelling designed principally for a single-family residence and which is approved for mortgage insurance prior to the beginning of construction, may have such higher ratio of loan to value and such longer maturity than otherwise provided as the President may determine to be in the public interest, taking into account the general effect of such higher ratio or longer maturity, as the case may be, upon conditions in the building industry and upon the national economy: *Provided*, That the principal obligation of any such mortgage shall not exceed \$12,000 and the maturity thereof shall not exceed 30 years: *And provided further*, That with respect to any such mortgage the mortgagor shall be the owner and occupant of the property at the time of insurance and shall have paid on account of the property at least 5 percent of the Commissioner's estimate of the cost of acquisition in cash or its equivalent."

SEC. 4. Section 205 (c) of the National Housing Act, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(c) The Commissioner shall, except as to group accounts terminated as of a date prior to July 1, 1953, transfer from each of the several group accounts to the general reinsurance account, beginning as of July 1, 1953, and as of the beginning of each semi-annual period thereafter, an amount which, in the case of the initial transfer, shall equal 10 percent of the total premium charges theretofore credited to such group accounts, and, in the case of subsequent transfers, shall equal the amount of any adjusted premium charges collected by the Commissioner in connection with the payment in full of insured mortgages prior to maturity on or after July 1, 1953, and an amount which shall in no event be less than 10 percent nor more than 35 percent of all other premium charges credited to such group accounts during the preceding semiannual period. The Commissioner shall terminate the insurance as to any group of mortgages (1) when he shall determine that the amounts to be distributed, as hereinafter set forth, to each mortgagee under an outstanding mortgage assigned to such group are sufficient to pay off the unpaid principal of each such mortgage, or (2) when all the outstanding mortgages in any group have been paid. In addition to the amounts transferred as herein provided, the Commissioner shall, upon such termination, charge to the group account the estimated losses arising from transactions relating to that group, and shall distribute to the mortgagees for the benefit and account of the mortgagors of the mortgages assigned to such group the balance remaining in such group account, less any amount by which



such balance exceeds the aggregate scheduled annual premiums of such mortgagors to the year of termination of the insurance: *Provided*, That any undistributed balance in the group account at termination shall be transferred to the general reinsurance account. Any such distribution to mortgagees shall be made equitably and in accordance with sound actuarial and accounting practice: *Provided*, That in no event shall any distribution to a mortgagor or for the account of a mortgagor under any provision of this section exceed his aggregate scheduled annual premiums to the year of termination of the insurance."

SEC. 5. (a) Section 207 (c) of said act, as amended, is hereby amended—

(1) by striking out of paragraph No. (2), "the sum of (i) 90 percent of that portion of the estimated value of the property or project attributable to dwelling use (when the proposed improvements are completed) which does not exceed \$7,000 per family unit and (ii) 60 percent of such estimated value in excess of \$7,000 and not in excess of \$10,000 per family unit and (iii) 90 percent of the estimated value of such part of such property or project as may be attributable to nondwelling use" and inserting "80 percent of the estimated value of the property or project when the proposed improvements are completed)";

(2) by amending paragraph No. (3) to read as follows:

"(3) not to exceed, for such part of such property or project as may be attributable to dwelling use, \$2,000 per room (or \$7,200 per family unit if the number of rooms in such property or project does not equal or exceed four per family unit) and not in excess of \$10,000 per family unit."; and

(3) by inserting after paragraph No. (3) the following new paragraph:

"Notwithstanding any of the limitations contained in paragraphs numbered (2) and (3) of this subsection (c), if the number of bedrooms in such property or project is equal to or exceeds 2 per family unit, and the principal obligation of the mortgage does not exceed \$7,200 per family unit for such part of such property as may be attributable to dwelling use, the mortgage may involve a principal obligation not in excess of 90 percent of the estimated value of the property or project (when the proposed improvements are completed)."

(b) Section 207 (i) of the National Housing Act, as amended, is hereby amended by striking out of the second sentence thereof the word "twenty" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "fifteen".

SEC. 6. Section 217 of the National Housing Act, as amended, is hereby amended by striking out of the second proviso "\$1,900,000,000" and inserting "\$3,400,000,000".

SEC. 7. Title II of said act, as amended, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:

"SEC. 219. Notwithstanding limitations contained in any other sections of this act as to the use of moneys credited to the title I Housing Insurance Fund, the Housing Insurance Fund, the War Housing Insurance Fund, the Housing Investment Insurance Fund, the Military Housing Insurance Fund, or the Defense Housing Insurance Fund, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to transfer funds from any one or more of such Insurance Funds to any other such Fund in such amounts and at such times as the Commissioner may determine, taking into consideration the requirements of such Funds, separately and jointly to carry out effectively the insurance programs for which such Funds were established."

SEC. 8. Title V of the National Housing Act, as amended, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:

"SEC. 516. The following funds shall be deemed an indebtedness to the United States of the particular insurance fund in-

volved, and the Commissioner is authorized and directed to pay the amount of such indebtedness to the Secretary of the Treasury, with simple interest thereon from the date the funds were advanced to the date of final payment at a rate determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, taking into consideration the average rate on outstanding marketable obligations of the United States from the date the funds were advanced until the date of final payment—

"(1) funds made available to the Commissioner pursuant to the provisions of sections 4 and 202, exclusive of amounts heretofore refunded, (a) for carrying out title II with respect to mortgages insured under section 203 where such funds were credited to the general reinsurance account in the Mutual Mortgage Insurance Fund, and (b) for the payment of salaries and expenses with respect to mortgage insurance under sections 207 and 210 where such funds were credited to the Housing Insurance Fund;

"(2) funds made available to the Commissioner pursuant to sections 602 and 802; and

"(3) funds made available to the Commissioner by the Secretary of the Treasury pursuant to section 710.

"Payments to the Secretary of the Treasury under this section shall be made in such amounts and at such times as the Commissioner determines, after consultation with the Secretary of the Treasury, that funds are available for that purpose, taking into consideration the continued solvency of the funds involved. All payments made pursuant to this section shall be covered into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts."

SEC. 9. Section 803 (a) of the National Housing Act, as amended, is hereby amended by striking "1953" and inserting "1954."

SEC. 10. Subparagraph (E) of section 301 (a) (1) of the National Housing Act, as amended, is hereby amended—

(1) by striking "unpaid principal balance thereof" and inserting "principal amount to be paid therefor";

(2) by striking "aggregate amount" and inserting "aggregate principal amount"; and

(3) by striking everything after the colon and inserting: "*Provided*, That the foregoing clause (2) shall not apply to (nor shall any terms therein include) any defense or disaster mortgages as defined in subparagraph (G): *Provided further*, That, in lieu of or in conjunction with the other requirements with respect to mortgages covered by the aforesaid clause (2), and also with respect to any defense or disaster mortgages as defined in subparagraph (G), the Association may (in the discretion of its Board of Directors, and notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (G)) issue a purchase contract (which shall not be assignable or transferable except with the consent of the Association) in an amount not exceeding the amount of the sale of mortgages purchased from the Association, entitling the holder thereof to sell to the Association mortgages in the amount of the contract, upon such terms and conditions as the Association may prescribe: *And provided further*, That the authority of the Association to issue purchase contracts hereunder shall expire July 1, 1954; and."

SEC. 11 (a) The first sentence of subparagraph (G) of section 301 (a) (1) of the National Housing Act, as amended, is hereby amended by striking "1953" and inserting "1954."

(b) The first sentence of section 302 of the National Housing Act, as amended, is hereby amended by changing the colon to a period, and by deleting the proviso.

SEC. 12. Public Law 243, 82d Congress, is hereby amended by (1) adding after the words "provisions of" the following: "subparagraph (C) of section 301 (a) (1) of the National Housing Act, as amended, with respect to mortgages where the number of rooms in the project equals or exceeds 6

per family unit and where the number of bedrooms equals or exceeds 3 per family unit, and notwithstanding the provisions of"; and (2) striking "June 29, 1951" and inserting "September 30, 1953."

SEC. 13. Section 101 (a) of the Defense Housing and Community Facilities and Services Act of 1951, as amended, is hereby amended by striking "III, or IV" and inserting "or III."

SEC. 14. Section 104 of the Defense Housing and Community Facilities and Services Act of 1951, as amended, is hereby amended by striking out "1953" in the first place where it appears in said section and inserting "1954"; by striking out clause (c) thereof; and by relettering clause (d) thereof as clause (c).

SEC. 15. Section 305 (c) of the Defense Housing and Community Facilities and Services Act of 1951, as amended, is hereby amended by striking "June 30, 1953" and inserting "June 30, 1954."

SEC. 16. Title IV of the Defense Housing and Community Facilities and Services Act of 1951, as amended, is hereby repealed.

SEC. 17. Section 717 (c) of the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, is hereby amended by inserting the following new paragraph at the end thereof:

"Notwithstanding any other provision of this act, the termination of title VI or any section thereof shall not be construed as affecting any obligation, condition, liability, or restriction arising out of any agreement heretofore entered into pursuant to, or under the authority of, section 602 or section 605 of this act, or any issuance thereunder, by any person or corporation and the Federal Government or any agency thereof relating to the provision of housing for defense workers or military personnel in an area designated as a critical defense housing area pursuant to law."

SEC. 18. (a) The Home Owners' Loan Corporation created pursuant to section 4 of the Home Owners' Loan Act of 1933, as amended (referred to in this section as the "Corporation"), shall cease to exist and shall for all purposes be considered dissolved and abolished, except as otherwise provided in this section, 180 days after the date the Home Loan Bank Board publishes in the Federal Register a notice to that effect, which shall also contain information as to the time for, and manner of, filing claims against the Corporation. The period of time prescribed for the filing of such claims shall be the 90 days immediately following the date of publication of the notice, and all creditors and claimants who have not presented their claims or demands within that period shall be forever barred from presenting or prosecuting the same, and any creditor or claimant who has not instituted suit within 60 days from the date his claim or demand is rejected by the Corporation shall be forever barred.

(b) With respect to any action, suit, or other legal proceeding commenced against the Corporation prior to the date of its dissolution, the Corporation shall continue a body corporate for the purpose of defending such suit and for no other purpose, and service of subpoena or other process in such proceeding may be made upon the Corporation by serving the same on the Secretary to the Home Loan Bank Board.

(c) Effective as of the date of the dissolution of the Corporation, (1) the title to any and all real property remaining in the Corporation on such date is transferred to the United States of America, (2) authority is given to the Home Loan Bank Board to sell and convey such property in the name of the United States of America for such cash consideration as such Board shall deem reasonable, and (3) all powers of the Corporation with respect to the execution of any instruments or documents affecting title to real estate or with respect to authorizing satis-







2d session; but this proviso shall not be construed as to interfere with State taxation of leasehold interests: *Provided further*, That any tax collected for school purposes on any leasehold interest within the boundaries of the Boulder City Union School District on and after July 1, 1953, shall be deducted under section 3 (g) of said act."

Mr. THYE also submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to House bill 5246, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, and Health, Education, and Welfare, and related independent agencies, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954, and for other purposes, which was ordered to lie on the table and to be printed.

(For text of amendment referred to, see the foregoing notice.)

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGE REFERRED

As in executive session,

The VICE PRESIDENT laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States, submitting the nomination of Col. Eugene Mead Caffey, for temporary appointment as brigadier general in the Army of the United States, and withdrawing the nomination of Grace M. Stewart, of the District of Columbia, to be an associate judge of the Municipal Court for the District of Columbia, vice Ellen K. Raedy, deceased, which nominating message was referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

#### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

As in executive session,

The following favorable reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. LANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary:

George Harrold Carswell, of Florida, to be United States attorney for the northern district of Florida, vice George Earl Hoffman, retired.

By Mr. AIKEN, from the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry:

Robert B. McLeaish, of Texas, to be Administrator of the Farmers' Home Administration.

#### ADDRESSES, EDITORIALS, ARTICLES, ETC., PRINTED IN THE APPENDIX

On request, and by unanimous consent, addresses, editorials, articles, etc., were ordered to be printed in the Appendix, as follows:

By Mr. WILEY:

Address entitled "American Free Enterprise and Foreign Policy," delivered by him before the United States Trade Mark Association in New York City, June 26, 1953.

Newspaper comment and excerpts from letters, indicating Wisconsin opposition to the so-called Bricker constitutional amendment.

By Mr. SMITH of New Jersey:

Article entitled "Soviet Plan To Steal Iran," written by Lev Vasiliev, and published in the San Francisco Chronicle of April 19, 1953.

By Mr. SCHOEPPEL:

Article entitled "Rhee Liberated His Own Men," written by Constantine Brown, and published in the Washington Star of June 25, 1953.

By Mr. LANGER:

Letter addressed to him by Mrs. Herman Novak, of Lordville, N. Dak., dealing with credit and prices.

By Mr. HILL:

Editorial entitled "Voice in the Wilderness," commenting on the recent speech delivered by Senator SYMINGTON, published in the Sunday Star of Washington, D. C., on June 28, 1953.

By Mr. WILLIAMS:

Editorial entitled "Like Any Other Witness," relating to Mr. Justice Clark of the United States Supreme Court, published in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch of Tuesday, June 16, 1953.

By Mr. BUSH:

Article entitled "Greenwich's Debts Are Nearly Paid Up," published in the New York Times of June 29, 1953.

By Mr. SPARKMAN:

Article entitled "GI Home Loans Number 3 Million," published in the Washington Post of June 28, 1953.

#### HOUSING IN CONNECTION WITH NATIONAL DEFENSE

The VICE PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill (S. 1376) to amend section 503 of the act entitled "An act to expedite the provision of housing in connection with national defense, and for other purposes, approved October 14, 1940, as amended," which was, after line 8, insert:

SEC. 2. Section 1 (b) (2) of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"Any veteran (defined herein as a person who served in the military forces of the United States during any war between the United States and any other nation or during the period beginning June 27, 1950, and ending on such date as shall be determined by Presidential proclamation or concurrent resolution of Congress and who was discharged or released therefrom under conditions other than dishonorable) who intends to engage in farming as a principal occupation, and who meets the requirements of rules and regulations prescribed by the Secretary as to industry, experience, character, and other assurances of success as a farmer, shall be eligible for the benefits of this title and his application shall be entitled to preference over the applications of non-veterans."

SEC. 3. Section 507 of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"As between eligible applicants seeking assistance under this title, the Secretary shall give preference to veterans and the families of deceased servicemen. As used herein, a 'veteran' shall mean a person who served in the military forces of the United States during any war between the United States and any other nation or during the period beginning June 27, 1950, and ending on such date as shall be determined by Presidential proclamation or concurrent resolution of Congress and who was discharged or released therefrom on conditions other than dishonorable. 'Deceased servicemen' shall mean persons who served in the military forces of the United States during any war between the United States and any other nation or during the period beginning June 27, 1950, and ending on such date as shall be determined by Presidential proclamation or concurrent resolution of Congress and who died in service before the termination of such war or such period."

Mr. CAPEHART. Mr. President, I move that the Senate concur in the House amendment.

Mr. KNOWLAND. Mr. President, I should like to ask the distinguished Senator from Indiana to give a brief explanation of the House amendment.

Mr. CAPEHART. I shall be glad to do so. All the House amendment would do would be, in respect to certain housing and farm assistance, to give Korean veterans the same rights as those given to World War II veterans. That is exactly what it would do. It would give Korean war veterans who were inducted into service after June 27, 1950, the same rights as those accorded to World War II veterans.

Mr. KNOWLAND. Mr. President, will the Senator from Indiana yield?

Mr. CAPEHART. I yield.

Mr. KNOWLAND. I understood that that was the original intent of the bill. Does the Senator state that such is the purpose of the amendment which the House added?

Mr. CAPEHART. That is the purpose of the House amendment.

Mr. SPARKMAN. Mr. President, will the Senator yield?

Mr. CAPEHART. I yield.

Mr. SPARKMAN. Am I correct in my understanding that the Senate is now considering the House amendment to Senate bill 1376?

Mr. CAPEHART. That is correct.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The question is on agreeing to the motion of the Senator from Indiana.

The motion was agreed to.

#### AMENDMENT OF NATIONAL HOUSING ACT

The VICE PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill (S. 2103) to amend the National Housing Act and other laws relating to housing, which was, to strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

That this act may be cited as the "Housing Amendments of 1953."

SEC. 2. Section 203 of the National Housing Act, as amended, is hereby amended by adding the following new subsection at the end thereof:

"(g) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section, a mortgage otherwise eligible for insurance hereunder and covering property upon which there is located a dwelling designed principally for a single-family residence and which is approved for mortgage insurance prior to the beginning of construction, may have such higher ratio of loan to value and such longer maturity than otherwise provided as the President may determine to be in the public interest, taking into account the general effect of such higher ratio or longer maturity, as the case may be, upon conditions in the building industry and upon the national economy: *Provided*, That the principal obligation of any such mortgage shall not exceed \$12,000 and the maturity thereof shall not exceed 30 years: *And provided further*, That with respect to any such mortgage the mortgagor shall be the owner and occupant of the property at the time of the insurance and shall have paid on account of the property at least 5 percent of the Commissioner's estimate of the cost of acquisition in cash or its equivalent."

SEC. 3. Section 205 (c) of the National Housing Act, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:



and are costing the Danish economy and the shipowners much more than the 4-percent interest provided for in the corresponding Finnish settlement. Prompt enactment of a settlement such as was achieved in the Finnish case will mean a great deal to my country. Anything you and your colleagues can do to bring this matter to a speedy and just end will, I assure you, be most deeply appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

HENRIK DE KAUFFMANN.

### HOUSE BILL REFERRED

The bill (H. R. 2824) to encourage the discovery, development, and production of tungsten ores, and concentrates in the United States, its Territories and possessions, and for other purposes, was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

### AMENDMENT OF MUTUAL SECURITY ACT OF 1951—AMENDMENT

Mr. KENNEDY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill (S. 2128) to further amend the Mutual Security Act of 1951, as amended, and for other purposes, which was ordered to lie on the table and to be printed.

### AMENDMENT OF MUTUAL SECURITY ACT OF 1951—AMENDMENT

Mr. McCLELLAN. Mr. President, I submit for appropriate reference an amendment intended to be proposed by me to the bill (S. 2128) to further amend the Mutual Security Act of 1951, as amended, and for other purposes. I ask unanimous consent that the amendment, together with a statement I have prepared explaining the amendment, be printed in the RECORD.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The amendment will be received, appropriately referred, and printed; and, without objection, the amendment and statement will be printed in the RECORD.

The amendment was received, ordered to lie on the table, to be printed, and to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

On page 2, line 1, after "Sec. 540," insert "(a)"; strike out the quotation marks at the end of line 13; and between lines 13 and 14 insert a new subsection, as follows:

"(b) Such amounts of the funds authorized to be appropriated by subsection (a) of this section as may be specified in the act appropriating such funds shall be used by the President, under such rules and regulations as he may prescribe, to provide military assistance to countries eligible to receive such assistance under this act through currency conversion agreements entered into in accordance with this subsection. The President is authorized to enter into an agreement with any such country which shall provide:

"(1) for the conversion into currency of the United States of such amounts of the currency of such country as may be specified in such agreement, and for the use of such United States currency for the purchase of agricultural commodities produced in the United States which are determined by the Secretary of Agriculture to be in surplus supply;

"(2) for the use of the currency of such country received by the United States under such agreement to procure military equipment, materials, and services in such coun-

try for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of his act;

"(3) satisfactory assurance that an amount of dollar exchange equivalent to the dollar exchange used by such country during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1952, for the importation from the United States of each commodity covered by the agreement will be made available by such country during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1953, from sources other than dollar exchange made available under this section of the act for the purchase of each such commodity; and

"(4) that the purchase of agricultural commodities produced in the United States with dollar exchange provided under such agreement shall be conducted through private trade channels."

The statement by Mr. McCLELLAN is as follows:

#### STATEMENT BY SENATOR McCLELLAN HOW THE CURRENCY CONVERSION PROGRAM WOULD OPERATE

Under this amendment the President would authorize the Mutual Security Agency to enter into agreements with the governments of countries eligible to receive military assistance under the Mutual Security Act of 1951, as amended, to convert their local currencies into United States dollars for the specific purpose of increasing foreign purchases of surplus agricultural commodities produced in the United States which the Secretary of Agriculture has declared to be currently in surplus supply. The dollars used in this conversion would come from the funds appropriated for military assistance. The local currencies acquired through such conversion would then be utilized by the Mutual Security Agency and the United States Department of Defense for purchasing military equipment, materials, and services in such countries.

This currency conversion program would be operated by the Mutual Security Agency in the following manner:

1. The Mutual Security Agency would promulgate special regulations governing the currency conversion program. Such regulations would provide for the issuance of currency conversion authorizations to the governments of eligible countries for specified amounts of United States dollars to be converted into the local currency of each such country. Each authorization would operate more or less as a credit of United States dollar exchange with a specific expiration date. When the authorization expired the credit expired. The regulations would provide for procurement through private channels of trade but would not regulate the commercial transactions between foreign importers and United States suppliers.

2. The Mutual Security Agency would make known to all eligible countries that—

(a) The Mutual Security Agency was authorized to enter into agreements with the governments of eligible countries to convert their local currencies under certain regulations into United States dollars for the specific purpose of supplying United States dollar exchange to their importers for purchasing surplus agricultural commodities produced in the United States through private trade channels; and

(b) The local currency so acquired would be used by Mutual Security Agency and the United States Department of Defense for procurement of military equipment, materials and services in the country where such local currency was acquired.

2. The conversion of local currencies of eligible countries into United States dollars would be attained by the following procedure:

(a) The government of the country desiring to enter into a currency conversion agreement would file with Mutual Security Agency a request for a specified amount of

United States dollar exchange to be used in connection with purchases by private importers in such country of a specified surplus agricultural commodity produced in the United States; such request to be supported by evidence that such country would provide dollar exchange from other sources during fiscal year ending June 30, 1954, in an amount equal to dollar exchange provided during fiscal year ending June 30, 1953 for import of such agricultural commodity;

(b) The Mutual Security Agency would consider the request and decide on its approval on the basis of—

(i) Evidence that the United States dollar exchange requested would increase imports from the United States of the specified agricultural commodity above the total amount imported from the United States during fiscal year ending June 30, 1953; and

(ii) Assurance that the local currency acquired thereunder could be utilized for procurement of military equipment, materials, and services in such country.

(c) Upon approval of the request, Mutual Security Agency would issue a currency conversion authorization to such country for a specified amount of United States dollars. Such authorization to specify the surplus agricultural commodity to be purchased thereunder and expiration date of the authorization;

(d) The government of the signatory country named in the currency conversion authorization, would issue subauthorizations to regular commercial importers of the commodity in such country and thereupon these importers would enter into purchase contracts with United States exporters;

(e) The government of the signatory country in consultation with such importers would decide on the United States commercial bank or banks through which letters of credit would be opened and notify Mutual Security Agency of such bank or banks, and the total amount of credits to be opened through each bank;

(f) Mutual Security Agency would then issue a letter of commitment to each such United States bank authorizing the bank to open letters of credit and make disbursement of a specified amount of dollars to United States suppliers, at which time the bank would collect a comparable amount of local currency for account of Mutual Security Agency from the foreign bank to whom the importer paid such local currency;

(g) The local currency so acquired would then be used by Mutual Security Agency and the United States Department of Defense for disbursements against purchase contracts made in the signatory country for military equipment, materials, and services.

### NOTICE OF MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULE—AMENDMENT TO LABOR, HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE APPROPRIATION BILL

Mr. THYE submitted the following notice in writing:

In accordance with rule XL of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby give notice in writing that it is my intention to move to suspend paragraph 4 of rule XVI for the purpose of proposing to the bill (H. R. 5246) making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, and Health, Education, and Welfare, and related independent agencies, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954, and for other purposes, the following amendment, namely: On page 16, line 6, before the period, insert the following: "Provided further, That for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1952, and for each succeeding fiscal year, all land lying within the boundaries of the Boulder Canyon Project Reservation shall be considered Federal property within the meaning of Public Law 874, 81st Congress,







Public Law 98 - 83d Congress  
Chapter 174 - 1st Session  
S. 1376

AN ACT

To amend section 503 of the Act entitled "An Act to expedite the provision of housing in connection with national defense, and for other purposes", approved October 14, 1940, as amended.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 503 of the Act entitled "An Act to expedite the provision of housing in connection with national defense, and for other purposes", approved October 14, 1940, as amended, is further amended by inserting after the words "during the present war" the following: "and prior to such date thereafter as shall be determined by the President".

Veterans' preference.  
Housing.  
59 Stat. 260.  
42 USC 1573.

SEC. 2. Section 1 (b) (2) of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

60 Stat. 1073.  
7 USC 1001.

"Any veteran (defined herein as a person who served in the military forces of the United States during any war between the United States and any other nation or during the period beginning June 27, 1950, and ending on such date as shall be determined by Presidential proclamation or concurrent resolution of Congress and who was discharged or released therefrom under conditions other than dishonorable) who intends to engage in farming as a principal occupation, and who meets the requirements of rules and regulations prescribed by the Secretary as to industry, experience, character, and other assurances of success as a farmer, shall be eligible for the benefits of this title and his application shall be entitled to preference over the applications of non-veterans."

Farm loan and mortgage insurance.

SEC. 3. Section 507 of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

63 Stat. 436.  
42 USC 1477.

"As between eligible applicants seeking assistance under this title, the Secretary shall give preference to veterans and the families of deceased servicemen. As used herein, a 'veteran' shall mean a person who served in the military forces of the United States during any war between the United States and any other nation or during the period beginning June 27, 1950, and ending on such date as shall be determined by Presidential proclamation or concurrent resolution of Congress and who was discharged or released therefrom on conditions other than dishonorable. 'Deceased servicemen' shall mean persons who served in the military forces of the United States during any war between the United States and any other nation or during the period beginning June 27, 1950, and ending on such date as shall be determined by Presidential proclamation or concurrent resolution of Congress and who died in service before the termination of such war or such period."

"Veteran".

67 Stat. 132.  
67 Stat. 133.

"Deceased servicemen".

Approved June 30, 1953.



